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Docket No.: 057454-0093

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Shinichi KOBAYASHI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 09/843,165	:	Group Art Unit: 2818
Filed: April 27, 2001	:	Examiner: Vu Anh Le

For: ELECTRICALLY PROGRAMMABLE AND ERASABLE NONVOLATILE
SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND OPERATION METHOD THEREFOR

FOURTH STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on April 27, 2001. Since more than five years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, and further no response has been received to the Status Inquiries filed September 27, 2004, May 20, 2005, June 27, 2005, and April 20, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application.

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